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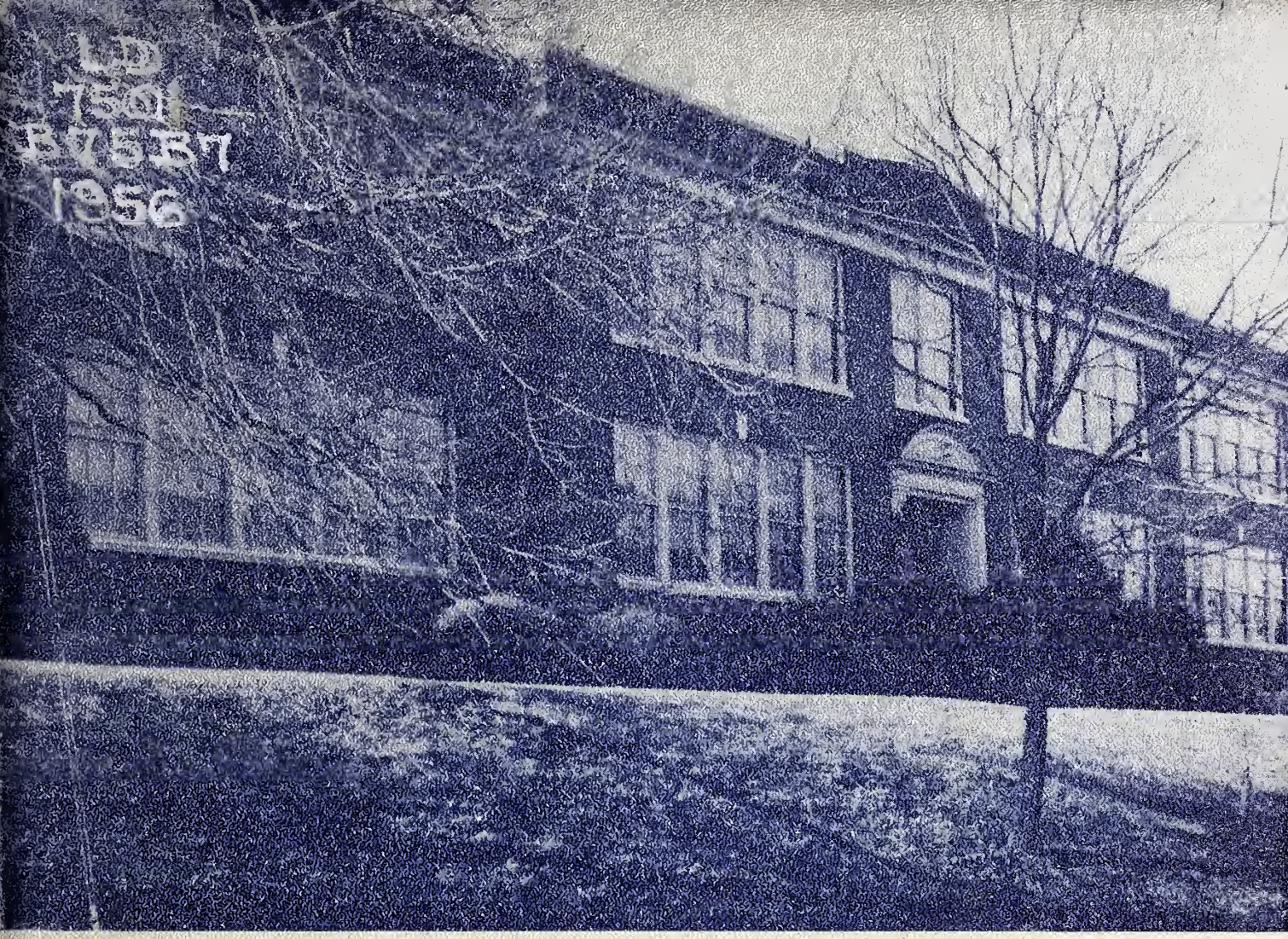

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FOREWORD

The Annual Staff takes pleasure and pride in presenting to you on the following pages some of the photos and activities of our school days, and in later years, "when truant fancies wander to those old school days", may this cherished memento be brought alive with memories.

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TO YOU FROM US . . . . . .

For your guidance and consideration, through our school days, in helping us obtain our education, we THE SENIOR CLASS of 1956 dedicate the 1956 edition of THE ROYAL to you, our PARENTS.

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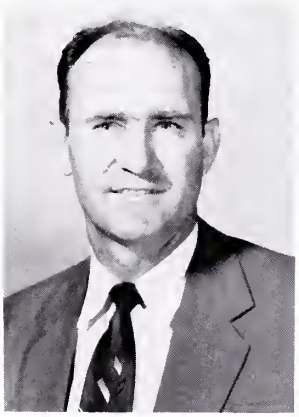

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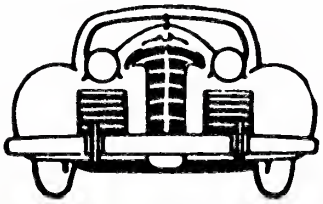

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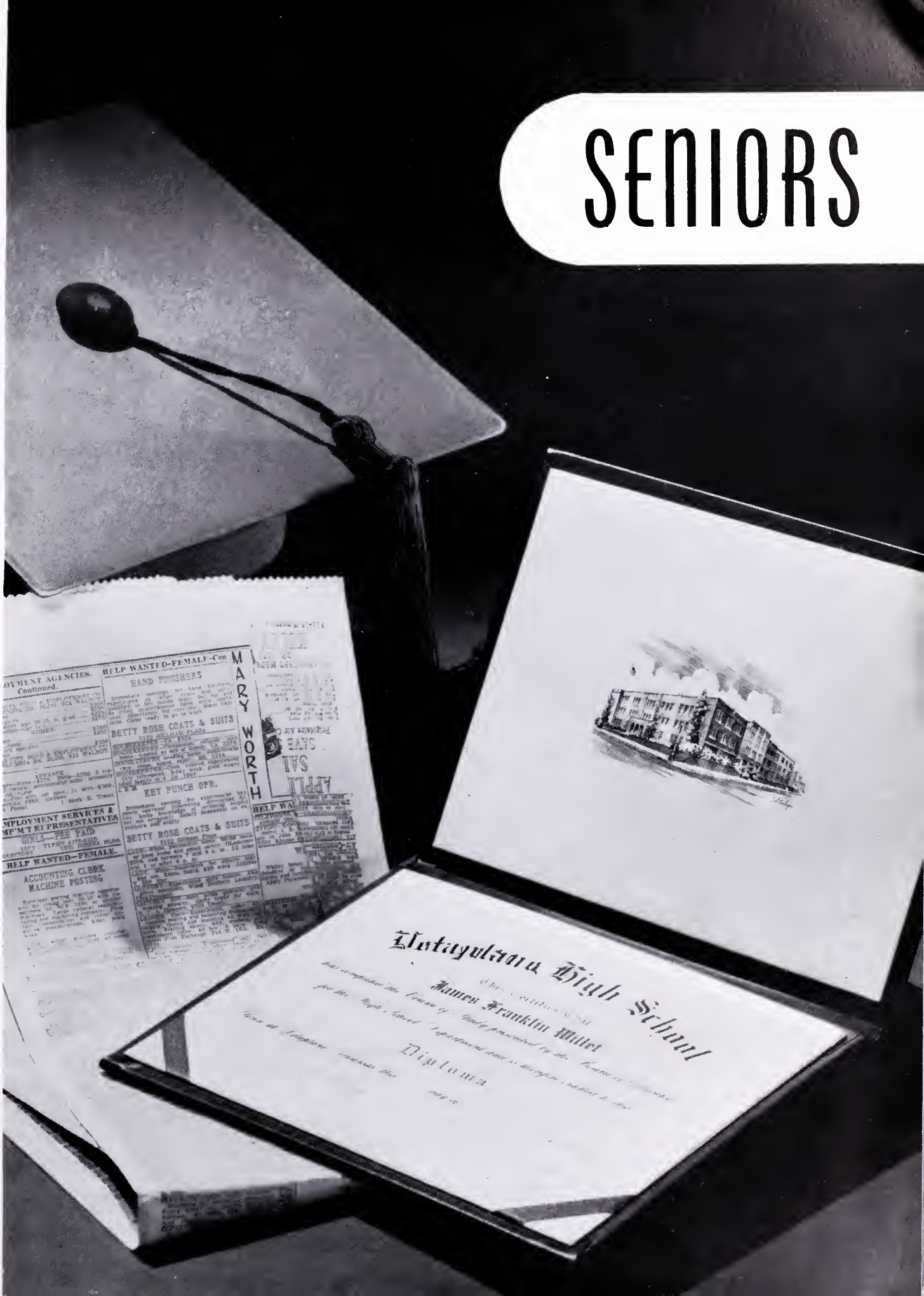
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SENIORS

BETTY ALICE NORCROSS
"Noc"

She is the key to success-- perseverance and a sunlit philosophy daily lived.

Class President 1,4, Treasurer 3; S.C.A. 2,4; Glee Club 1,2, 3,4; Library Club 2,3,4, President 3; F.H.A. 3,4, Secretary 4; Forensic Club 2, Reporter 2; Recipient of Outstanding Student Medal 3; Delegate to Girls' State 3; Co-Editor of Annual 4.

TOMMY EDWARD SNIDER
"Tommy"

Mischief with an understanding heart, and when in jest there's a slack, Tommy's ready with a wisecrack.

Class Vice-President 3,4; Forensic Club 3,4, President 4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4, Secretary 3; President 4; Milrock Fed. 3,4, Secretary 3, Vice-President 4; Boys' State Delegate 3; Glee Club 3,4; Librarian 4; S.C.A. 4; K.V.G. Crew 1,2,3; Annual Staff 4, Snapshot Editor 4.

RUBY CAROL WHITESIDE
"Curly"

Not too tall, and a little small. She's one girl that's liked by all.

Annual Staff 3,4, Co-Editor 4; S.C.A. 2,3,4, Vice-President 3, President 4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4, Secretary 2,3, Vice-President 4, Outstanding Chapter Member 3; Class Reporter 1, Secretary 3,4; Forensic Club 2,3,4, Secretary 3, Vice-President 4; Library Club 1,2,3; Safety Patrol 1,2,3; Glee Club 1,2,3,4; Softball 1,2,3,4; Volley Ball 2, Cheerleader 1,2,3,4, Captain 4.

SENIORS

WILLIAM MINOR DRIVER
"Fuzz"

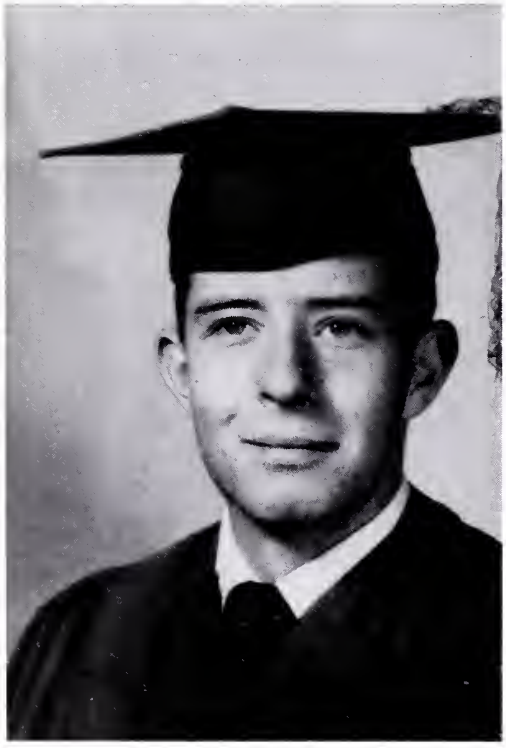
The guy you kid around with, the guy who gives help when you need it, and the guy you don't mind helping, the guy who is your buddy.

Glee Club 2,3,4, Reporter 3, Vice-President 4; Basketball 2,3,4; Baseball 2,3,4; Library Club 2,4, Vice-President 2,4; Patrolman 2,3,4, Lieutentant 4; Reporter's Club 3; Class Vice-President 2, Treasurer 4; Annual Staff 3,4, Photograph Editor 4.

NELLIE MAE COX
"Nellie Belle"

Tall and blonde, plus a sunny disposition. To be a nurse is her ambition.

F.H.A. 1,2,3,4, Song Leader 2, Treasurer 3; Glee Club 1,2,3,4, Librarian 2, Secretary and Treasurer 4; Forensic Club 2,3,4; F.T.A. 1,3,4; Class Reporter 4; Basketball 3; Cheerleader 4; Annual Staff 4.



ROY NELSON ANDERSON
"Roy"

He's a favorite around town, with his yellow convertible.

F.F.A. 1,4; Baseball 1,2,4.

BETTY MARIE CARROLL
"Carroll"

All work and no fun is no life for "Carroll."

F.H.A. 1,2,3,4, President 3,4, State Delegate 2,3; F.T.A. 1,2, 3,4, Reporter 1,2,3, Vice-President 4; Library Club 1,2,3, Secretary 3; Reporter 1,2,3, Head Reporter 2,3, School Paper 1,2,3, Editor 2,3; Dramatic Club Treasurer 1; Class Secretary 1; Forensic Club 2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3, Manager 3, Timekeeper 4; Softball 1,2,3, Volley Ball 1,2, Cheerleader 1,3; Glee Club 1,2,3,4; S.C.A. 4; Annual Staff 3,4, Advertising Manager 4.

CARLYLE CARTER MC CROWELL
"Jim"

His eyes spell mischief, his eyes spells Hi! We all like him, he's one swell guy!

F.F.A. 1,2,3, Vice-President 3; Forensic Club 3; Glee Club 1,2,3,4, President 3,4; Class President 2,3; S.C.A. 3,4; Annual Staff 4, Art Education.

DORIS MARIE CHAPLIN
"Doris"

Our pretty curly-haired Senior came to us from Lexington as a Junior and has contributed much to our class. Best of luck in the future, Doris.

Dramatic 1,2; Library Club 1,2; S.C.A. Representative 3; Cheerleader 3,4; F.H.A. 4; Glee Club 4.

SENIORS

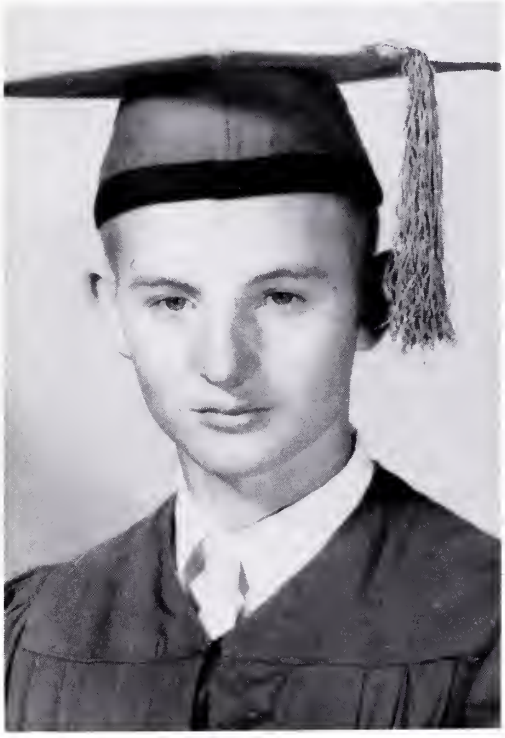
BOBBY MANLEY CHITTUM
"Cheet"

His chief loves are Plymouths and Elizabeth! When the latter is around he's kind of dreamy.

F.F.A. 1,2,3,4, Secretary 4, Treasurer 3; Patrolman 3,4, Captain 4; Reporter 2; S.C.A. 1; Class Treasurer 2; Annual Staff 4.

CALLIE MAE JARVIS
"Callie"

Quiet and willing, with a friendly smile for everyone.



DONALD EDWARD SWOPE
"Dick"

"Dick," as we call him is always around hurting his elbow and acting like a clown. Here's hoping he has all the success that a guy deserves when he is the best.

Secretary of Class 2; Glee Club 2,3,4, Treasurer 4; Baseball 2,3; Basketball 2,3,4; Library Club 3,4; F.F.A. 1.

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JOYCE LEE MOHLER
"Blondy"

Pretty to walk with, fun to talk with, and nice to think about.

F.T.A. 1,2,3,4; Forensic Club 1,2,3,4, Secretary 2; Library Club 2; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Glee Club 2,3,4; Softball 2; Volleyball 1; Cheerleader 3,4; Dramatic Club 1; Annual Staff 3,4, Literary Editor 4.

EDITH MARIE VEST
"Edith"

Dependent, sweet and quiet. Who do you think we are describing? Edith, of course. With her ambition to be a nurse may she be successful.

Softball 2,4; Library Club 1,2; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Annual Staff 4.

DORIS JEAN WADE
"Shorty"

When time is dull, "Shorty" will sharpen it!

Glee Club 1,2,3,4; Librarian 4; Library Club 1,2,3, Vice-President 3; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4, Song Leader 3, S. Delegate 3; F.T.A. 1,2,3,4, President 4; Safety Patrol 1,2; S.C.A. 4; Class Treasurer 2, Parliamentarian 4; Reporter 3; Forensic Club 2,3,4, Treasurer 4; Basketball Time Keeper 2,3, Score Keeper 4; Annual Staff 3,4, Typing Editor 4. District "O" Champion in Prose 3.

SENIORS

MARY MARGARET WADE
"Mutt"

A sweet and dignified Senior, she has added much to our class.
May all your future dreams come true.

Basketball 1,2,3,4; Softball 1,2,3,4; Volleyball 1; F.H.A. 1,3,4; Library Club 1,2.

CLAUDIA FLEMING WHIPPLE
"Whipple"

A friend to brighten up the way,
Not too solemn, not too gay.

Dramatic Club Vice-President 2; S.C.A. 2,4; F.T.A. 2,3,4, Vice-President 3; F.H.A. 1,2,3, Vice-President 3, Treasurer BAR 3; Basketball 1,2,3,4, Captain 4, Basketball Queen 4; Softball 2,3,4; Glee Club 1,2,3,4, Librarian 3; Library Club 1, 2; Forensic Club 1,2,3,4, District "O" Champion in Poetry Reading.

SHIRLEY ODELL WHITESIDE
'Shirley"

Chattering always and giggling, too.
When you're around "Shirley," we can't be blue.

F.H.A. 1,2,3,4, Historian 3,4; Library Club 1,2; Cheerleader 2,3,4; Patrolman 2; Annual Staff 3.

CLASS HISTORY

As we look back over the past to the year 1952, we find ourselves beginning our high school career as 8th graders. With an enrollment of 31, we welcomed Mr. C. T. Fitzwater to his first year with B. H. S.

1953 makes us "Green Freshmen" with Mr. Andrew Lindsay as our instructor. We lost Alfred Smiley and Nellie Plogger, leaving us an enrollment of 29. The faculty welcomed Mrs. Nancy O'Connell and Mrs. Mary Woods. We also were fortunate in being able to join many clubs.

1954 zooms us onward to become "Merry Sophomores." Losing Fred Weeks, Nancy Fix (now Mrs. Jimmy Sensabaugh,) J. W. Little and Joe Smiley, our enrollment decreased to 25, but it was raised again by the transferring of Billy Driver from N. C., and Harold Hotinger from Lexington. Again we welcomed a new member to our faculty, this time, Mr. Walter Anderson. To Lexington's great gain and our loss, Mr. Lindsay left our faculty this year.

In 1955 we entered our "Jolly Junior" year. Again for the third time in our high school days we introduced a new teacher, Mrs. Walter Anderson. We found our enrollment increased by one, Doris Chaplin from Lexington, but sadly decreased by loss of Nancy Plogger (now Mrs. Charles Graves,) Loriene McCurdy (now Mrs. Ralph Steele,) Betty Jean Reid (now Mrs. Babe Swisher,) and Jean Sensabaugh. Harold Hotinger left us to become a '55 senior. The greatest thrill of our Junior Year was presenting the Junior-Senior Banquet. Selecting "Starlight" as our theme we thrilled to the pleasure of decorating the auditorium in beautiful fashion. We entertained the seniors with speeches, food and dancing. This was a full and happy year, and truly one of the best.

1956 brings us to the happiest year of our high school days, recognizing us as "Dignified Seniors." We are eighteen strong, losing Johnny Harlow, Bobby Toman, Ibry Ramsey, and C. H. Gordon. We enjoyed participating in our Senior Play entitled "Skeleton Walks," taking our Senior trip to Washington, and finally we are looking forward, most eagerly, to graduation day in June. This year we regretted losing Mr. Dan W. Burger as our principal, but were fortunate to have Mr. John Knick to replace him.

Those of us who began and ended our school days together, all twelve years, are: Betty Norcross, Mary M. Wade, Jim McCrowell, Doris Wade, and Betty Carroll.

-- Betty Carroll
Doris Wade

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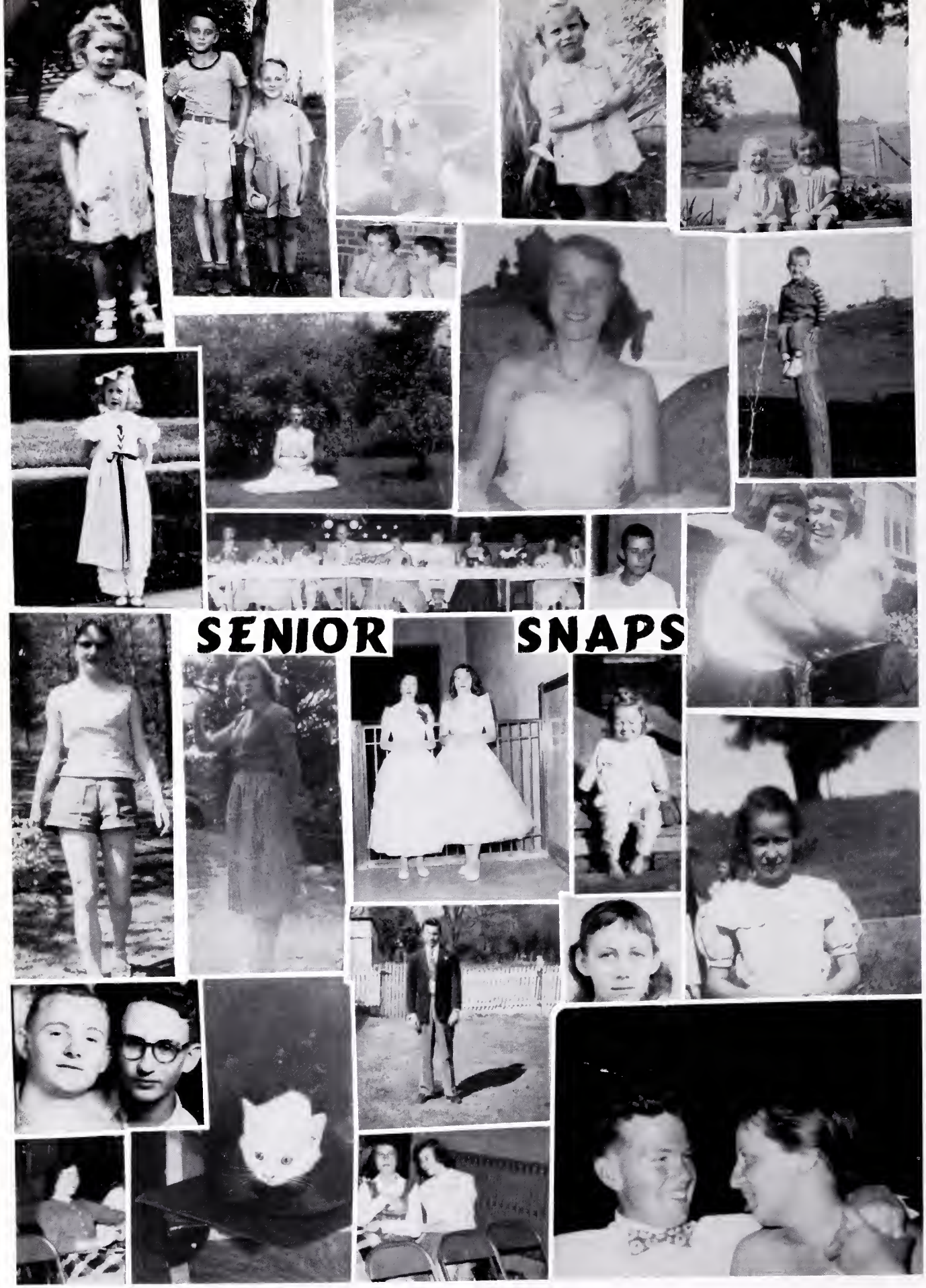

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SENIOR CLASS

CLASS POEM

As we leave our Alma Mater
And we go our separate ways
Each takes with him brightest memories
Of his carefree high school days.

We have met the grueling challenge.
We have grinned at each defeat;
And walked from each a little wiser,
The bonds of union more complete.

If our ventures take us Northward
To the South, the East, or West,
We'll be guided by the knowledge
That we gained at B. H. S.

So we depart as full fledged graduates,
Proud that we may be called so,
And the school walls seem to whisper,
"Godspeed to you ere you go."

Betty Norcross

CLASS COLORS

Blue and White

CLASS FLOWER

Red Rose

CLASS MOTTO

"Hitch your wagon to a star."

CO-EDITOR
Betty Norcross

SPONSOR
Claudia Whipple

CO-EDITOR
Ruby Whiteside

ANNUAL STAFF

LEFT TO RIGHT: Joyce Mohler, Literary Editor Betty Carroll, Advertising Editor; Doris Wade, Typing Editor; Ruby Whiteside, Co-Editor; Betty Norcross, Co-Editor; Claudia Whipple, Business Manager; Billy Driver, Photographic Editor; Mrs. Claudia Whipple, Sponsor. MISSING: Tommy Snider, Snapshot Editor Jim McCrowell, Art Editor.

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LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

I, Bobby Chittum, will my ability to get along with girls to Eugene Whitesell.

I, Mary Margaret Wade, will the use of my left hand to Margaret Cobb hoping it does not cause her any handicaps.

I, Billy Driver, will my joy of the first basketball practice to Frank Sheets as I know he'll be able to use it.

I, Edith Vest, will my ability to be a nurse to anyone hoping they will be one, too.

I, Donnie Swope, will my elbow pad to Hugh Reese hoping he'll never have to use it.

I, Claudia Whipple, will my non-ability to do math to anyone who can do it.

I, Nellie Cox, will my extra height and thinness to Evelyn Carroll.

I, Doris Chaplin, will my love for cheerleading to Dotty Whiteside.

I, Callie Jarvis, will my love for long hair to my sister, Mary Frances.

I, Shirley Whiteside, will my love for L. H. S. football games to my sister, Dorothy.

I, Roy Anderson, will my yellow convertible to anyone who can have as much fun as I have had with it.

I, Jim McCrowell, will my geometry book to Bobby VanDerVeer.

I, Tommy Snider, will my ability to get along with teachers to anyone who will use it for the betterment of himself and the school.

I, Joyce Mohler, will my seat on the front row to anyone mischievous and talkative.

I, Doris Wade, will my mischievous ways to Libby Bare hoping she can get out of trouble easier than I.

I, Ruby Whiteside, will my wonderful years at B. H. S. to my sister, Jane.

I, Betty Carroll, will my ability to talk to Ruby Davis hoping she won't get caught as many times as I did.

I, Betty Norcross, will the A's on my report card to my brother, Douglas.

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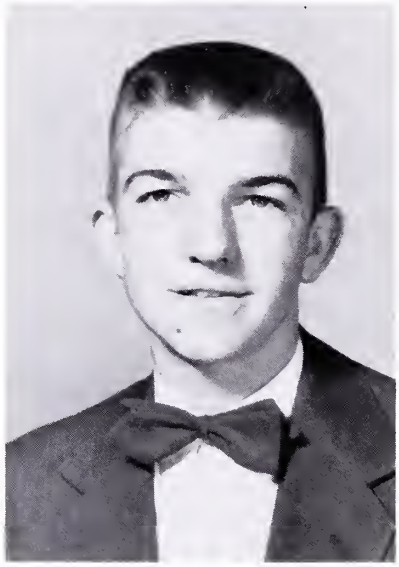
SENIOR MIRROR

NAME	FAVORITE SAYING	FAVORITE SONG	WEAKNESS
Nellie Cox	"For goodness sakes!"	Moments to Remember	Tall, dark-haired, men
Claudia Whipple	"Mama Mia!"	Blue Tango	Good music
Callie Jarvis	"My lands!"	Yellow Rose of Texas	Fords
Edith Vest	"Oh! For goodness Sakes!"	Blue Moon of Kentucky	Mercurys
Mary Margaret Wade	"Ah! You know!"	Out Behind the Barn	A pick-up
Ruby Whiteside	"Ah, Shoot!"	Unchained Melody	Crewcuts
Betty Carroll	"Skip it!"	I Hear You Knocking	Peanut Butter Milkshakes
Shirley Whiteside	"Oh, Yeah!"	Sure-fire Kisses	Model T Fords
Betty Norcross	"Golly ding!"	Humoresque	Bow Ties
Doris Chaplin	"Oh, man!"	Suddenly There's A Valley	Missouri
Doris Wade	"Do it and die!"	Love Is a Many Splendored Thing	Certain Germans
Joyce Mohler	"Ah, the dickens!"	Song of a Dreamer	Brown Eyes
Billy Driver	"For cruddy sakes!"	Tina Marie	Lay-ups
Donald Swope	"I'll be a son of a buck!"	Yellow Rose of Texas	Writing Clearly
Bobby Chittum	"Holy cow!"	Yellow Rose of Texas	Certain "Blonde" of the '57 class
Jim McCrowell	"Really think so, Huh?"	Rose Room	Large Cars
Roy Anderson	"No kidding??"	Ain't That A Shame	Cars and Girls
Tommy Snider	"You know how It is"	Unchained Melody	Blondes

1954 HOMECOMING 1955

QUEEN

Janet Carwell



KING

Thomas Dudley

COURT

FIRST ROW: Elizabeth Bare, Curtis Jarvis, Doris Dudley, William Koogler, Janet Carwell, Queen; Tommy Dudley, King. SECOND ROW: Margaret Cobb, Harry Weeks, Claudia Whipple, Bobby Chittum, Elizabeth McCurdy, George Cox, Betty Jo Day, Harold Hotinger, Doris Runkle, Paul Jarvis, Ruby Whiteside. NOT SHOWN: Jim McCrowell, Mildred Chittum, Bobby VanDer-Veer, Virginia Whipple, Mitchell Norcross, Katherine Harlow, Lee Huffman.

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MOST SCHOOL SPIRIT

Ruby Whiteside
Tommy Snider

CUTEST

Bobby Chittum
Joyce Mohler

MOST DEPENDABLE

Tommy Snider
Doris Wade

SENIOR

HAPPY-GO-LUCKY

Roy Anderson
Betty Carroll

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Ruby Whiteside
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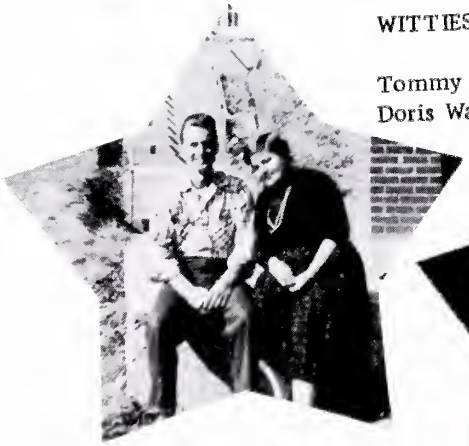
WITTIEST

Tommy Snider
Doris Wade



QUIETEST

Roy Anderson
Edith Vest

MOST INTELLECTUAL

Donnie Swope
Betty Norcross

MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED

Donnie Swope
Betty Norcross

MOST COURTEOUS

Jim McCrowell
Betty Norcross

STARS

MOST POPULAR

Bill Driver
Betty Carroll

BEST LOOKING

Tommy Snider
Claudia Whipple

BEST ATHLETE

Bill Driver
Mary M. Wade

TYPICAL SENIORS

Tommy Snider
Ruby Whiteside

CLASS PROPHECY

"Ruby Whiteside, this is your life." As these words ring through the Knick auditorium, a small gasp escapes the lips of the little old lady in the third row.

The narrator, Tom Snider, continues, "Yes, tonight we bring you the inspiring life of a woman who attended a small country school, financed her way through college by doing odd jobs on the campus, and refused an offer to teach in the largest school in New York City so that she might devote her life to opening the world of reading, 'riting and 'rithmetic to the mountain children of Kentucky.

Our thanks to you, Dr. Driver, for bringing Miss Whiteside here tonight on the pretense of attending one of your lectures on atomic energy.

But before we begin our story, here is word about "Kisme" lipstick from a girl who knows cosmetics, Doris Chaplin. (Commercial)

You were born September 19, 1937, Ruby, the eighth child in a family of nine. From the beginning you are taught economy, and your unselfish character develops.

A masculine voice is heard. "Remember when we used to stand in the cold and wait for the bus?" You were a patrolman on that bus, Ruby. Do you recognize that voice? Yes, your neighbor from your childhood, here from his business as a successful commercial artist, C. C. McCrowell, known affectionately to us as "Jim."

A feminine voice is heard. "Remember the fun we had cheering together, and the times we cried when The Royals lost the tournament?" Now manager of a large clothing store, and here from Lexington, Virginia, is your cousin, Shirley Whiteside.

In 1956 you graduate from Brownsburg High School and in 1960 from Berea College. You and another young teacher decide to start a school in the hills of Kentucky. Here from Longwood College where she is now Dean of Students is Claudia Whipple, that young teacher who helped begin the two room school back in 1961.

Each week the enrollment of the school increases. Within three weeks, fifty students are crowded into the two small rooms. Children eager to learn are still pouring in. Space is desperately needed. Then comes a generous offer. A friend of yours from your school days, now owner of a chain of super markets, offers you $10,000 to start a fund for the erection of a school. Here from his summer resort at Rockbridge Baths is, Mr. Roy Anderson. Also here from his home in Pittsburgh, Pa., another person who helped in the erection of your building by drawing the blueprints without pay, a successful architect, Donald Swope.

We've travelled back into the past, Ruby, now for a glimpse into the future. Immediately following this program, you will be entertained with a party in your honor at the Royal Hotel. This has been arranged for you by the manager, Mr. B. M. Chittum. There a concert will be presented for you by the Metropolitan soprano, Nellie Cox, and her accompanist, Doris Wade. A reporter from Life magazine, Betty Carroll, will visit your school in Kentucky and the story of your work will be featured in Life magazine. As a personal gift for you, we have a complete wardrobe created especially for you by the world famous designer, J. Lee Mohler.

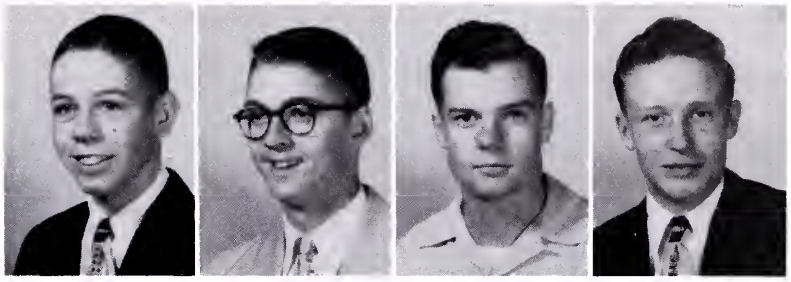
Ruby, several of your former classmates send greetings and best wishes for your future. You knew them as Callie Jarvis, Edith Vest and Mary M. Wade, but today they are happily married and living in the beautiful Shenandoah Valley.

Ruby Whiteside, this is your life--a life we were proud to present as a shining example for the youth of our country."

--Betty Norcross

UNDERCLASSMEN

JUNIORS



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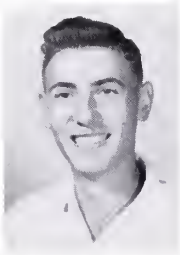

WILLIAM KOOGLER
President

DOROTHY WHITESIDE
Vice-President

FIRST ROW: Roy Austin, Audrey Cox, Bobby Bare, Doris Dudley, Billy Benson, Susan Harlow. SECOND ROW: Billy Berry, Louise Martin, Burness Campbell, Ellen Mason, Billy Clements, Jean Mays. THIRD ROW: Charles Dudley, Mary Potter, John McCray, Betty Smiley, Billy Newcomer, Bonnie Van der Veer. FOURTH ROW: Jimmy Newcomer, Virginia Whipple, Jack Nicely, Mitchell Norcross, Leonard Pennington, John Sorrells. FIFTH ROW: Eldridge Sorrells, Danny Watts, Billy Whitesell.

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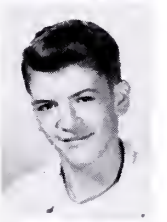

Katherine Harlow
Roy Lee Huffman
Katherine Lockridge

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MOST COURTEOUS
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Betty Norcross
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HAPPY-GO-LUCKY
Betty Carroll
Jim McCrowell

BEST ALL-AROUND
Tommy Snider
Ruby Whiteside

MOST POPULAR
Claudia Whipple
Bobby Chittum

BEST LOOKING
Doris Dudley
Bobby Chittum

QUIETEST
Edith Vest
Lloyd Pennington

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Claudia Whipple
Bobby VanDerVeer

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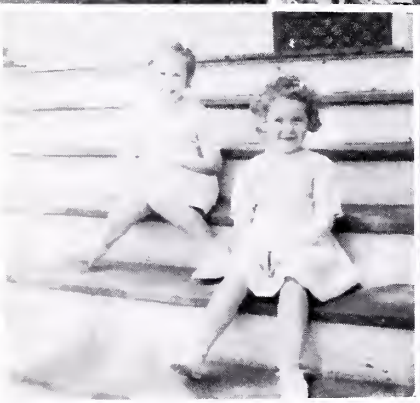

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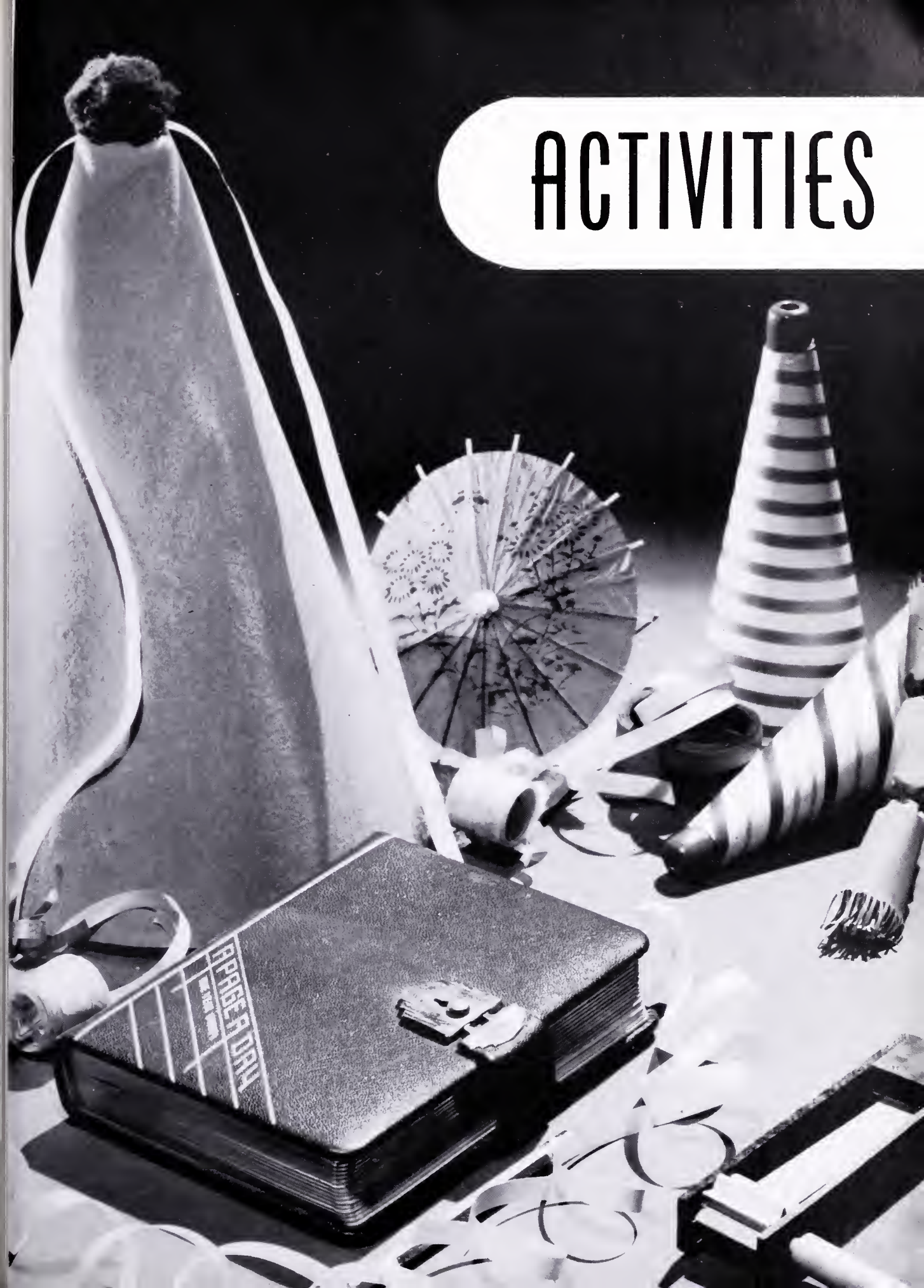

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Rah ! Rah ! Rah !
Rah ! Rah !
Rah ! Rah ! Rah !
Rah ! Rah !
Yea Royals !

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Rising in state as the crest of a hill,
Stand the firm walls of our dear Alma Mater,
Round her so nobly, our hopes cluster still.

When in our exile our hearts may be yearning,
For the bright scenes of our vanishing youth,
Back to thy portals our memories turning,
Clear gleams thy beacon of love and of truth.

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Queen of our hearts, no foes shall alarm.
Faithful and leal, thy children will ever,
Cherish thine influence, acknowledge thy charm.

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BASKETBALL SCHEDULE
1955-56

Dec.	2	Spottswood	Away
	6	Troutville	Home
	9	Millboro	Away
	13	Goshen	Home
	16	Colonial	Away
	20	Fincastle	Home
Jan.	3	Spottswood	Home
	6	Fairfield	Home
	10	Effinger	Away
	13	Goshen	Away
	17	North River	Away
	20	Open	
	27	Millboro	Home
	31	Open	
Feb.	3	Colonial	Home
	7	Fincastle	Away
	10	Effinger	Home
	13	Fairfield	Away
	17	Troutville	Away

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M. X.
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Hugh Reese
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Fred Whipple
Frank Sheets
Clyde Smiley
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Claudia Whipple
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Jack Nicely
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"Curly" Whiteside
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Bobby Van Der Veer
"Janie" Whiteside
William Clements
Christine Potter
Fidelia Jolley
Joyce Moulder
Sandra McCowell
J. W. Fitzpatrick
Jimmy Newcomer
Jim Wilson

SEVENTH GRADE

FIRST ROW: Joseph Balser, Lillie Allen. SECOND ROW: Bobby Burner, Dorothy Cales, Tommy Bare, Martha Clark, Carl Cline. THIRD ROW: Patricia Clements, Billy Conner, Millie Conner, Alex Flint, Ann Day, Carl McNeil, Phyllis Conner. FOURTH ROW: Eugene Potter, Barbara Dunham, Jimmy Reid, Joyce Fitzgerald, Harry Riley. FIFTH ROW: Edith Graves, David Runkle, Ann Harlow, Sammy Smiley, Patsy Jarvis, J. L. Swisher, Nellie Mason. SIXTH ROW: Carole Mays, Virginia Mohler, Sylvia Ramsey, Carole Potter, Madeline Sensabaugh. SEVENTH ROW: Shirley Sheets, Mary Jane Sorrells, Barbara Staton, Judy VanDerVeer, Emily Whiteside, Frances Woody, Ann Robertson.

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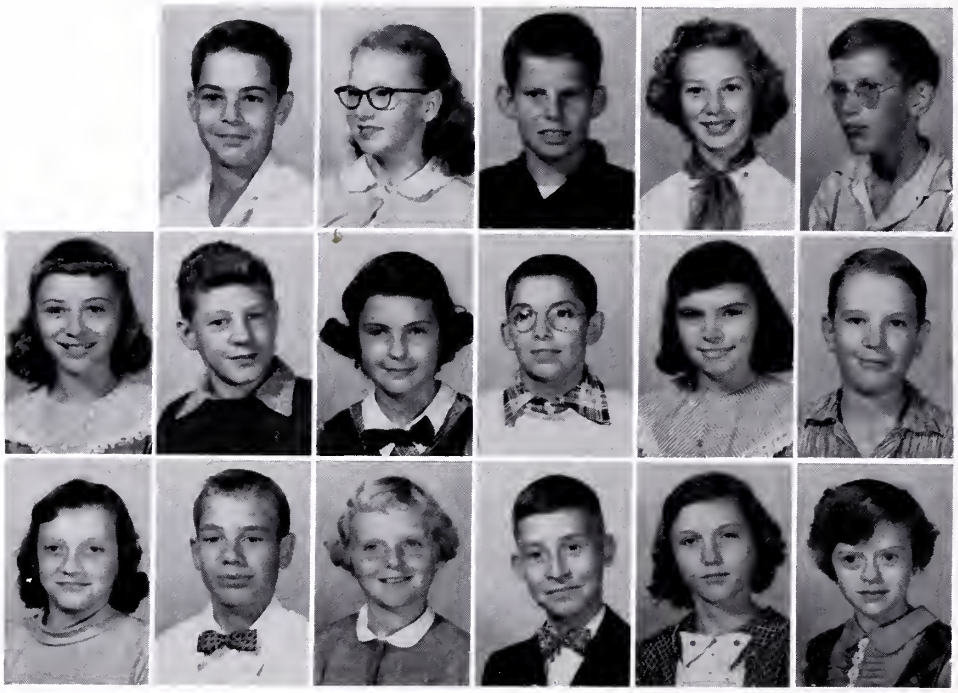
SIXTH GRADE



FIRST ROW: Billy Bare, Betsy Anderson, Jerry Berry, Virginia Cale. SECOND ROW: Jimmy Carter, Betty Cales, Bobby Hart, Carol Cline. THIRD ROW: Jerry Hatcher, Mattie Davis, Ronnie Maybush, Doris Fix. FOURTH ROW: Marvin McCray, Phyllis Hart, Stuart Norcross, Mary Hill, Claude Sheets. FIFTH ROW: Martha Lowe, Jake Wade, Shirley Lunsford, James Walters, Maxine Potter, John M. Whitesell. SIXTH ROW: Thelma Reid, Dale Wimer, Joyce Swope, Sammy Withrow, Elizabeth Watkins, Judith Watts.

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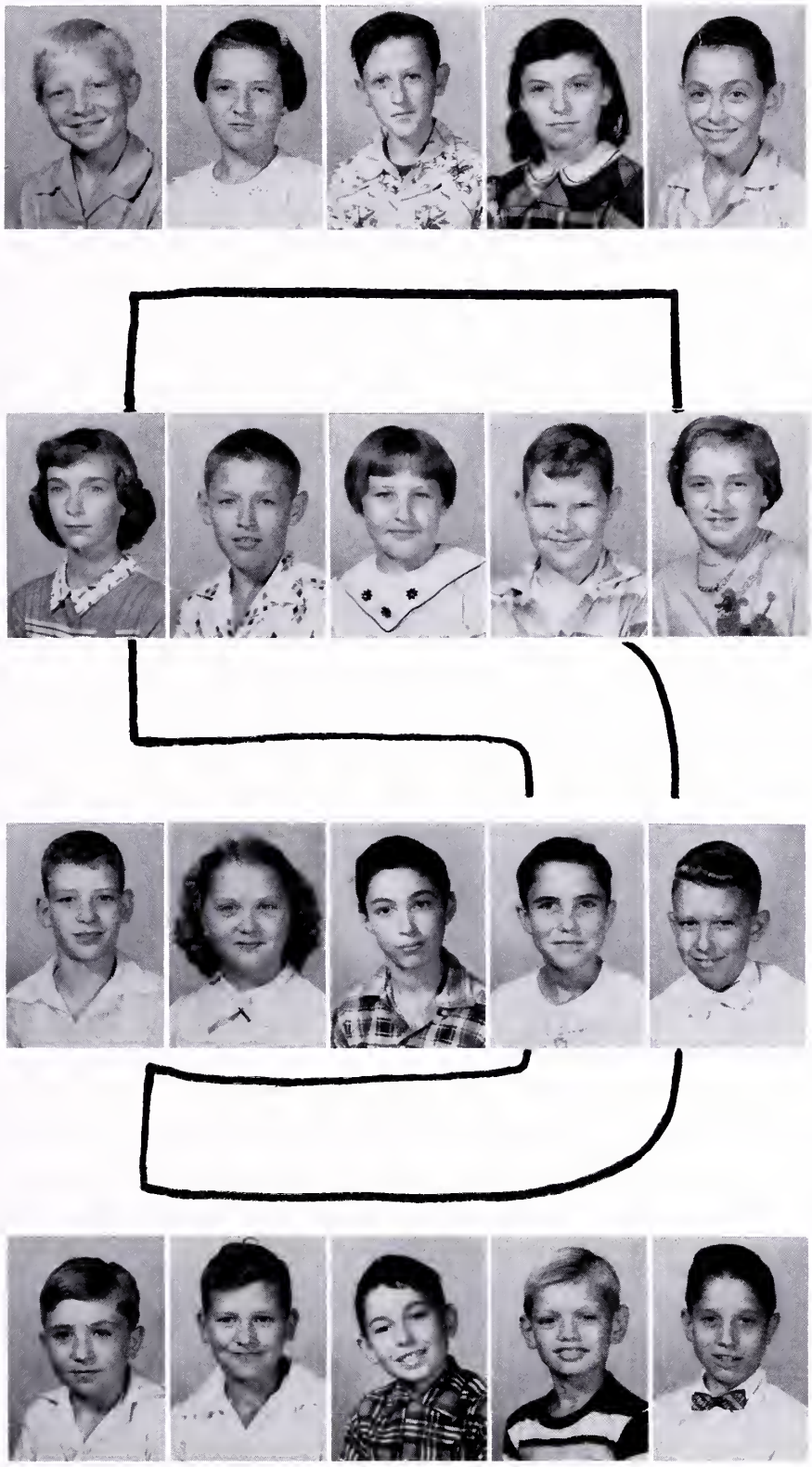
GRADE FIVE



FIRST ROW: Charles Fitzgerald, Mae Allen, Fred Fix, Edna Campbell, Thomas Fix. SECOND ROW: Joyce Chaplin, Glennie Mays, Emma Norcross, Taylor McCormack, Patsy Smiley. THIRD ROW: Roy Potter, Betty J. Sweet, Carl Robertson, Kenneth Sorrells, Jerry Swisher. FOURTH ROW: Billy Wade, Larry Wade, Carl Walters, Billy Watkins, Bobbie Wimer.

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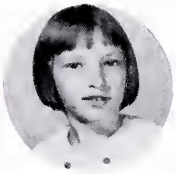
FOURTH GRADE

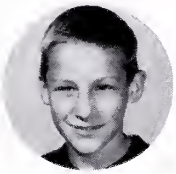
DOWN

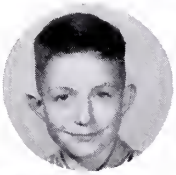
Ruth Allen
Lloyd Bosserman
Josephine Anderson
Steve Campbell
Marjorie Cales



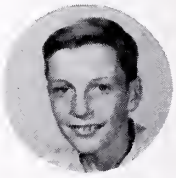
DOWN

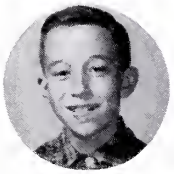
Robert Blackwell
Phyllis Potter
Eugene Lunsford
Carrie Mast
John Lotts
Linda McManama
Roy Wade Swisher
Louise Watts

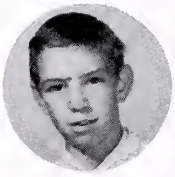




Donnie Sheets







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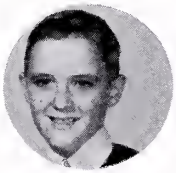


Richard Whitesell

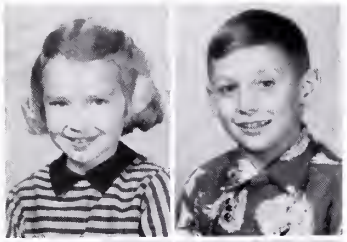
Phyllis Whiteside

Raydell Wimer

THIRD GRADE

LEFT DOWN: Steve Blackwell, Dorothy Campbell, William Cales, Alice Clark, David Campbell, Joan Clark, Wayne McManama, Beulah Coleman. THREE TOP: John Hartsook, Joyce Maybush, Darlene Reynolds, Stella Sherwood, Shirley Wade, Carrie Walters, Alice Watson, Joan Woody. RIGHT DOWN: Bobby Moore, Mary Coleman, Bobby Perry, Margaret Fix, Ray Sheets, Bonnie Hartsook, Tommy Watkins, Grace Heffelfinger.

SECOND GRADE



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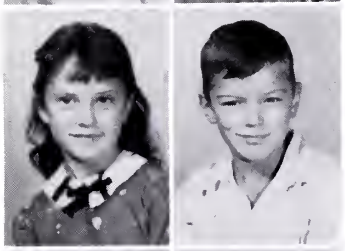
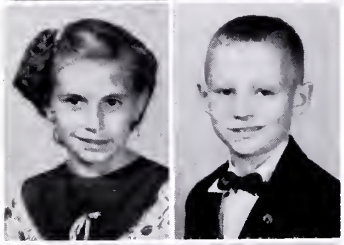


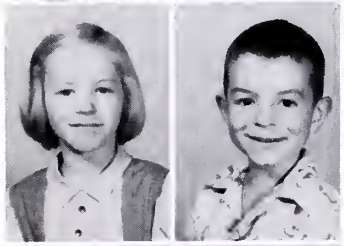
Ellen Blackwell

Bennett Chaplin



Nancy Bryant

James Clements



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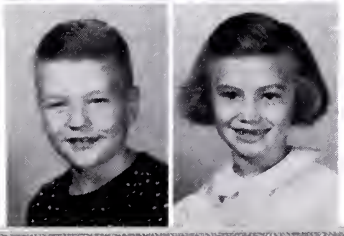
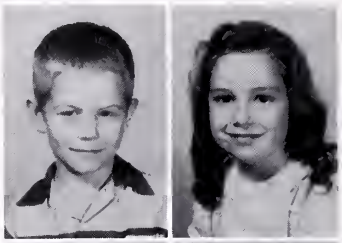


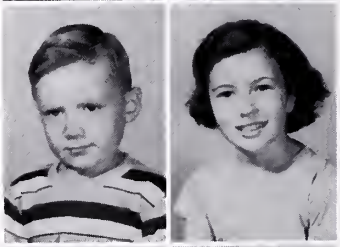
Frank Lockridge

Ruth Lotts



Richard Moore

Lillian McCrowell



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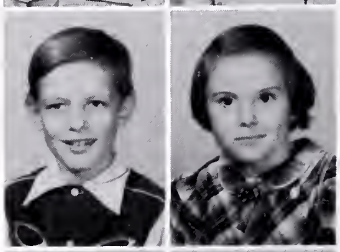

Rodney Sherwood

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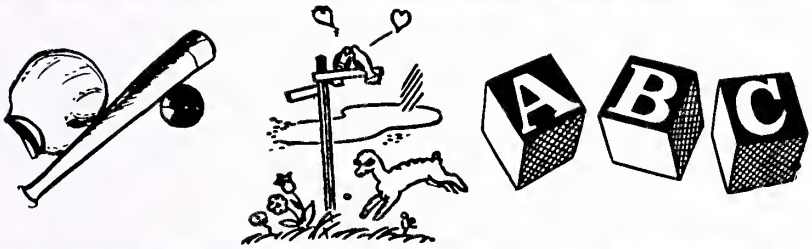
FIRST GRADE



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